

Coast Guard, DOT

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- 15.810 Mates.
- 15.812 Pilots.
- 15.815 Radar observers.
- 15.820 Chief engineer.
- 15.825 Engineers.
- 15.830 Radio officers.
- 15.835 Staff officers.
- 15.840 Able seamen.
- 15.845 Lifeboatmen.
- 15.850 Lookouts.
- 15.855 Cabin watchmen and fire patrolmen.
- 15.860 Tankerman.

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- 15.901 Inspected vessels of less than 100 gross tons.
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- 15.1030 New York and New Jersey.
- 15.1040 Massachusetts.

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Subpart A—Purpose and Applicability

§ 15.101 Purpose of regulations.

The purpose of the regulations in this part is to set forth uniform minimum requirements for the manning of vessels. In general, they implement, interpret, or apply the specific statutory manning requirements in title 46, U.S.C., parts E & F, implement various international conventions which affect merchant marine personnel, and provide the means for establishing the complement necessary for safe operation of vessels.

§ 15.103 General.

(a) The regulations in this part apply to all vessels which are subject to the manning requirements contained in the navigation and shipping laws of the United States, including uninspected vessels (46 U.S.C. 7101-9308).

(b) The navigation and shipping laws state that a vessel may not be operated unless certain manning requirements are met. In addition to establishing a

minimum of licensed individuals and members of the crew to be carried on board certain vessels, they establish minimum qualifications concerning licenses, citizenship, and conditions of employment. It is the responsibility of the owner, charterer, managing operator, master, or person in charge or command of the vessel to ensure that appropriate personnel are carried to meet the requirements of the applicable navigation and shipping laws and regulations.

(c) Inspected vessels are issued a certificate of inspection which indicates the minimum complement of licensed individuals and crew (including lifeboatmen) considered necessary for safe operation. The certificate of inspection complements the statutory requirements but does not supersede them.

Subpart B—Definition of Terms

§ 15.301 Definitions of terms used in this part.

(a) The following terms defined in this subpart apply only to the manning of vessels subject to the manning provisions in the navigation and shipping laws of the United States:

Assistance Towing means towing a disabled vessel for consideration.

Coastwise seagoing vessel means a vessel that is authorized by its Certificate of Inspection to proceed beyond the Boundary Line established in part 7 of this chapter.

Deck crew (excluding licensed individuals) means, as used in 46 U.S.C. 8702, only the following members of the deck department below the grade of licensed individual: Able seamen and ordinary seamen.

Designated areas means those areas within pilotage waters for which first class pilot's licenses or endorsements are issued under part 10, subpart G, of this Chapter, by the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection (OCMI). The areas for which first class pilot's licenses or endorsements are issued within a particular Marine Inspection Zone and the specific requirements to obtain them may be obtained from the OCMI concerned.

Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection (OCMI) for the purposes of part 15